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In re Application of  
Gallops, et al. :  
Application No. 10/687,950 :  
Filed: October 17, 2003 :  
Attorney Docket No. 1405-342 :  
LETTER VACATING DECISION

This is a letter vacating the decision on petition mailed August 23, 2004.

The application was filed on October 17, 2003. However, on December 8, 2003, the Office mailed a "Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application", stating that the application had been accorded a filing date of October 17, 2003, and advising applicants that the drawing of Figures 10 and 11 described in the specification appeared to have been omitted.

In response, applicants filed a petition on December 15, 2003. Because applicants did not include a proper postcard receipt, the petition was dismissed on April 16, 2004. Applicants filed a renewed petition on April 24, 2004, and included a proper postcard receipt itemizing Figures 10 and 11. Accordingly, the renewed petition was granted in a decision mailed on May 4, 2004.

On August 23, 2004, applicants' December 15, 2003 petition was again dismissed.

The August 23, 2004 decision is **VACATED**.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to Petitions Attorney Cliff Congo at 703-305-0272.

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